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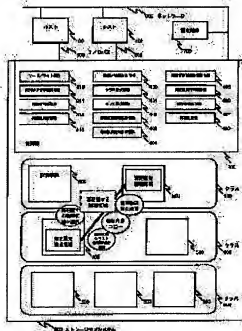
## (54) STORAGE SUB-SYSTEM AND ITS CONTROL METHOD

## (57)Abstract:

**PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To simplify a work for optimizing arrangement by re-arrangement by the user of a disk array system or the like by changing the correspondence of a logical storage area from a physical storage area into the second physical storage area and executing re-arrangement.

**SOLUTION:** A control part 300 automatically executes re-arrangement execution processing at the set time and date. That is, the part 300 copies contents stored in a re-arrangement source physical area in a re-arrangement destination physical area based on re-arrangement information 408. Moreover, at the point of time when the copying is completed and the whole contents of the re-arrangement source physical area are reflected in the re-arrangement destination physical area, the control part 300 changes a physical area corresponding to a logical area for executing re-arrangement in logical/physical correspondence information 400 from the re-arrangement source physical area into the re-arrangement destination physical area. Besides, the control part 300

uses the re-arrangement destination physical area on a non-usage physical area 1470, changes the re-arrangement source physical area into the non-usage one and, moreover, updates the time and date of re-arrangement execution time information 406 into the one for a next time by referring to time and date updating information on re-arrangement execution time information 406.



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二種類の使用率上限値または差分を有してもよい。

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【0076】本実施の形態での計算機システムは、前記実施の形態と同理である。本実施の形態における両者の変換処理312について図21で説明する。

【0077】明細部300は、高性能クラスに属するリティゲループ501をクラス構成情報401から取得する（ステップ1700）。続いて明細部300は、

を参照して対称期間を取得（ステップ1710）、  
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0)。このとき論理領域の選択は必要だけ行われる(ステップ1740)。

【0078】続いて制御部300は、選択された論理領域についての所配最先となる論理領域を、活性値グループ501から選択するが、活性値グループ501に属するパリティグループ501から選択するが、第2の活性値の形態での最先の論理領域選択の処理は、第2の活性値の形態での

【0079】上記の処理を行うことで、第2の実施形態の処理と第2の実施形態の処理とを同一処理と見做すことができる。また、本実施形態の処理と第2の実施形態の処理とを同一処理と見做すことができる。また、本実施形態の処理と第2の実施形態の処理とを同一処理と見做すことができる。

[illegible]

ディスク使用時間が再配置について増大し、新ハードウェアの導入後のディスク装置使用率が増大する可能性があるからである。ディザスタ復旧計画の策定に際しては、ハードウェアの更新や増設に伴うディスク使用率の小さい新ハードウェアから再配置していくようにすることで、増大の影響を最小限に抑えることができる。

【0081】＜第五の夜撫の形態＞本夜撫の形態では、クラス6000の属性の1つにアケラス種別属性を認め

【0082】本実施の形態における計算機システムは図1に示すように、ネットワークを介して他の計算機システムと通信可能に接続されている。図1は、本実施の形態の計算機システムの一例を示す。図1に示すように、本実施の形態の計算機システムは、ネットワークを介して他の計算機システムと通信可能に接続されている。図1に示すように、本実施の形態の計算機システムは、ネットワークを介して他の計算機システムと通信可能に接続されている。

【0030】本装置の形態でのクラス管理情報402の一例を図22に示す。第2の実施の形態で、列に対しアクセス種別が与えられており、クラス60のアクセス種別が、例えばシーテッドジャンルに設定される情報を用いる。

【お好まれている場合は、クラス6.0.0がアーケードシリアルアクセスであることと判定されていることを示す。

【0084】本実施の形態での機能使用状況は図4の0.3の一例を図23に示す。この例では、第2の実施の形態の例に対し、シークシリアルアクセスモードおよびランダムアクセスモードが加えられている。

【0086】エーゼル型複相熱電材料410の一部を図24に示す。ユーザによりまたは初期値として、アクセル型複相熱電材料410には後述のアクセル型複相熱電材料を用いる基準値が設定されている。また、ユーザによって異なる基準値が設定されている。

性相411の一列を図25に示す。アクセル相図に  
アクセル各相領域について数値に行われる期待である  
アクセル各相領域、ユーザが設定する。図25について  
は後述する。

【0087】本実施の形態での処理は、使用状況情報取  
得処理311および再評価処理312を繰り返しては第  
二の処理の形態と同様である。

【0088】本実施の形態における使用状況管理取得処理311について図26で説明する。

一方で、使用率についてシーナ・ナショナル・リサーチ・アンド・アナリシス社の比率を算出し(ステップ1820)、使用率およびアクセス権別比率を物理領域使用状況情報403に記録する(ステップ1830)。また、制御部300は、第2の実施形態と同様にパーティティグループ300の、第2の実施形態と同様にパーティティグループ300の算出と物理領域使用状況情報404への記録を行う(ステップ1840、1850)。

【0090】本装置の形態における再配置部312の形状は第2の実施形態と同等である(ステップ1900)。再配置部312の形状は第312での再配置先の配置領域の形状について図27

【0091】新造機300は、無煙煤製炭専用型機403を参照し、再燃燃着する備用炭種についてのシーケンシャルアクセスを設けず（ステップ1910）、アクセスする（ステップ1920）。シーケンシャルアクセス等は、燃焼室410に配設されている燃焼室と比較する（ステップ1930）。

報 402を参照し、アケセ(親)がシヤンジャルと推定されているクラス600(シヤンジャルクラス)が存在する(スぺック1950)。シヤンジャルクラスが存在する場合、制御部300は、クラス生成情報401と米使用履歴情報407を参照して、シヤンジャルクラスに属する刈取機300以外のバリディグル

プ501の未使用物理領域を取得する。(ステップ1960)。さらに時間3300は、各未使用物理領域について、既使用先とした場合のバッチグループ使用率の予測値を求め(ステップ1970)、未使用物理領域の中間値とした場合にベンチマークグループに設定される。上図例を超えたいと欲する(未使用物理領域)を、互いの領域を交換する(ステップ1980)。

[illegible]

【0992】平成の比較において、シーケンシャルアクセス率が基準率以下である場合、制動距離3000は、制動減速率及び制動時間4.11を参照し、制動距離についてアクセラレーション別ヒントがシーケンシャルと設定されている事案（ステップ1940）。アクセラレーション別にシーケンシャルと設定されていた場合、上記と同様に制動距離3000は、シーケンシャルクラスの増減を踏まえ（ステップ

1950)、シーケンシャルクラスラック等存在する場合は、シーケンシャルクラスから再配置先の物理領域を選択する(ステップ1950→1990)。

[0093] 前述の比較において、シーケンシャルアクセス率が前記閾値未満以下であり、さらにアクセス増強ポイントがシーケンシャルでなかった場合、またはシーケン

シークエンシャルクラスは、  
第2の演算子の格納と同時に、シーケンシャルクラス以外  
のクラスの格納と合わせて配列形式の物理部を占有する（ス  
テップ2000）。

[10094]上記処理により、同一パーティダグループ  
501での順番でシーケンシャルアクセスとランダムア  
クセスの発生に対し、各クラス600に属性として設定

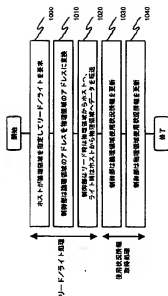
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グループ501に自動的に再配置して分離、すなわち異





【図2】

図2



【図3】

図3

リードライト装置		データ再生部	
データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部
0-999	0	0-999	0-999
1000-1999	0	1000-1999	1000-1999
2000-2999	1	0-999	0-999
3000-3999	1	1000-1999	1000-1999

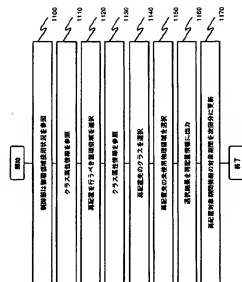
【図5】

図5

データ再生部	データ再生部
0-999	0-999
1000-1999	1000-1999
2000-2999	2000-2999
3000-3999	3000-3999

【図4】

図4



【図6】

図6

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データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部
0-999	0	0-999	0-999
1000-1999	0	1000-1999	1000-1999
2000-2999	0	2000-2999	2000-2999
3000-3999	0	3000-3999	3000-3999

【図7】

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データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部
データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部	データ再生部
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1000-1999	0	1000-1999	1000-1999
2000-2999	0	2000-2999	2000-2999
3000-3999	0	3000-3999	3000-3999



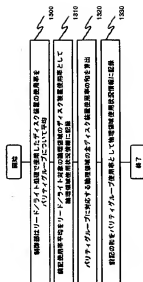
【図13】

表13

クラス番号	変更率(%)	クラス間伝送ロス	クラス間伝送ロス率(%)	測定
0	0.0	1	7.0	-
1	7.0	2	8.0	測定
2	8.0	3	9.0	-

【図14】

表14



【図15】

表15

日時	測定アドレ	ディスク伝送速度(%)
1999年8月1日 8時0分	0-999	1.8
	1000-1999	2.2
1999年8月1日 8時15分	0-999	2.0
	1000-1999	2.0
1999年8月1日 8時30分	0-999	2.2
	1000-1999	2.8

【図16】

表16

日時	バッチグループ番号	変更率(%)
1999年8月1日 8時0分	100	4.8
	101	5.2
1999年8月1日 8時15分	100	7.0
	101	5.0
1999年8月1日 8時30分	100	7.2
	101	4.8

【図17】

表17

バッチグループ番号	RAID構成	ディスク伝送速度	測定
100	RAID5 201P	110	-
101	RAID1 101P	190	測定
102	RAID5 601P	95	-

【図22】

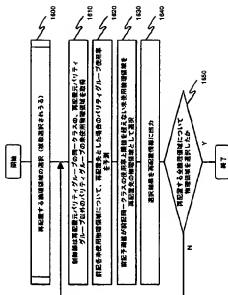
表22

クラス番号	変更率(%)	クラス間伝送ロス率(%)	測定	ディスク伝送速度
0	6.0	1	7.0	-
1	7.0	2	8.0	-
2	8.0	3	9.0	-



【図20】

図20



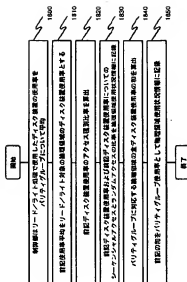
【図25】

図25

検索アドレス	アドレス検索中心	指定
0-599	-	-
1000-1999	-	-
2000-2999	シーケンシャル	-
3000-3999	-	指定

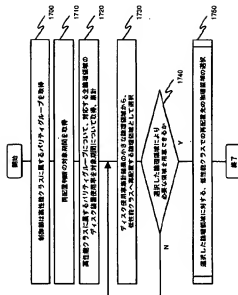
【図26】

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【図21】

図21





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system [1]. Two or more storage and a means requiring the operating condition on said storage. It has a means to perform matching with the logic storage region which said programmer makes a read/write address, and the first physical memory field of said storage. It is the control approach of the storage subsystem (class), and the first to one or more calculating machines. Said storage is classified into two or more groups (class), and said class has the set-up attribute. One or more classes of the variable relocatable place for said logic storage region. Second physical memory field available as a relocation place for said logic storage region. Second physical memory field available as a relocation place for said logic storage region. It chooses from inside of said class. The control approach of said storage region subsystem characterized by changing by changing matching of a logic storage region into said second physical memory field from said first physical memory field while copying the contents of said first physical memory field to said second physical memory field.

[claim 2] It is the control approach of the storage subsystem which it is the control approach of the storage subsystem according to claim 1, and a storage subsystem accumulates said operating condition information, and determines the relocation place of a logic storage region and is characterized by rearranging to the set-up time amount based on said operating condition information on the set-up period.

Claim 31 is the control approach of a storage subsystem to claim 1 or 2. A storage subsystem is a storage system. As operating condition information, the time per unit time amount of storage activity (SAB) is used. Each class *i* has the engine performance ranking and the activity ratio upper limit  $U_i$  between the classes set as an attribute. Said storage subsystem. The control approach of the storage subsystem characterized by choosing the logic storage region rearranged from the storage exceeding the activity ratio upper limit of a class, and determining that the class of the indication place of said logic storage region will not exceed the activity ratio upper limit of a class *i* to each place of the high order of said marking.

claim 4] is the control approach of a storage subsystem according to claim 1 or 2. A storage subsystem is a storage subsystem of a storage system. The storage system is a storage system according to claim 1. As operating condition information, the time per unit time (time per unit storage ratio) is used. Each class has the engine-performance ranking and the activity ratio upper limit rearranged from the classes set up as an attribute. Said storage subsystem The logic storage region is rearranged from the storage exceeding the activity ratio upper limit of a class is chosen. The control approach of the storage subsystem characterized by determining that a physical memory file available as a relocation place of said logic storage region will not exceed the activity ratio upper limit of said class from the storage in the two-classes.

[Claim 5] is the control approach of a storage subsystem according to claim 1 or 2. A storage subsystem As operating condition information, the time per unit time amount of storage activity ratio) is used. Each class has the object access classification and the activity ratio upper limit which were set up as an attribute. Said storage subsystem The logic storage region rearranged from the set exceeding the activity ratio upper limit of a class is chosen. The control approach of the storage subsystem characterized by determining that the class of the relocation place of said logic storage region will not exceed the activity ratio upper limit is a class to each

class of said object access classification based on the analysis result of the access

[Claim 6] A means to connect with one or more computers and to acquire the operating condition information on two or more storage and said storage. It is the storage subsystem which has a means to perform matching with the logic storage region which said computer makes a read request and the first physical memory field and store. A means to manage said two or more physical memory fields (clusters) which have an attribute, respectively. A means to determine the class of the said location which said logic storage region based on said determining condition information and said class attribute. A means to classify the said memory field available as a relocation place of said logic storage region. It is the storage subsystem characterized by having the means which performs by effecting matching of a logic storage region into said second physical memory field from said first physical memory field while copying the contents of said first physical memory field to said second physical memory field.

[Claim 7] It is the storage subsystem which is a storage subsystem according to claim 6, and is characterized by having a means for a storage subsystem to accumulate said operating condition information, and to determine the relocation place of a logic storage region automatically based on said operating condition information on the set-up period, and the means which rearranges to the set-up time amount.

[Claim 8] is a storage subsystem according to claim 6 or 7. A storage subsystem has a means using the time per unit amount of a store (activity ratio) as operating condition information. Said storage subsystem A means to choose the logic storage region rearranged from the storage exceeding the activity ratio upper limit set as each class as an attribute. The storage subsystem characterized by having a means to determine not to exceed the activity ratio upper limit of each class from the engine-performance ranking between the classes set as each class as an attribute in the class of the relocation place of said logic storage region.

[Claim 9] It is a storage subsystem according to claim 6 or 7. A storage subsystem It has a means using the time unit amount of a store (activity ratio) as operating condition information. Said storage subsystem A means to choose the logic storage region rearranged from the storage exceeding the activity ratio upper limit of the class set up as an attribute. A means to analyze the access classification to said logic storage region, and object access classification, from the class set up as an attribute. The storage subsystem characterized by having a means to determine that the class of the relocation place of said logic storage region will not exceed the activity ratio upper limit of each class based on said activity ratio.

[Claim 10] is the storage subsystem characterized by being a storage subsystem given in claims 6, 7, 8, or 9, and for a storage subsystem being a disk array which has two or more disk units, and having a means using the activity ratio of said disk unit as operating condition information.

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relocation place of a logic storage region based on the operating condition information on the set-up period, and this means which rearranges to the set-up time amount.

[0017] Moreover, in order to realize the third purpose of the above, a disk array system is equipped with a means to use the time per unit time amount of a disk unit (activity ratio), as operating condition information.

[0018] In order to realize the fourth purpose of the above, moreover, a disk array system The object access classification (sequential / random access classification) and the activity ratio upper limit which were set as each class as an attribute are used. The logic is chosen rearranged from the storage exceeding the activity ratio upper limit of a class is chosen. Based on the analysis result of the access classification to a logic storage region, it has a means to determine that the class of the relocation place of a logic storage region will not exceed the activity ratio upper limit of a class to each class of a suitable access classification.

[0019]

[Embodiment of the Invention] Hereafter, the gist of operation of this invention is explained with reference to drawings 1 - drawing 27.

[0020] The gist of <first operation> book operation explains the scheduling of the relocation of the relocation based on a class 600, relocation decision, and activation.

[0021] FIG. 1 is the block diagram of the computing system in the gist of operation of the class 600.

[0022] The computer system in the gist of this operation comes to have a host 100, the storage subsystem 200, and a control terminal 700.

[0023] A host 100 connects with the storage subsystem 200 through I/O bus 800, and performs I/O of a read or a light to the storage subsystem 200. A host 100 specifies a logic field about the storage region of the storage subsystem 200 in the case of I/O. There are ESCON, SCSI, a fiber channel, etc. as an example of I/O bus 800.

[0024] The storage subsystem 200 has a control section 300 and two or more storage 500. A control section 300 performs the read/write processing 310, the operating condition information acquisition processing 311, the relocation decision processing 312, and relocation executive operation 313. Moreover, the storage subsystem 200 holds the information 400 corresponding to logic/physics, the class configuration information 401, the class attribute information 402, the logic field operating condition information 403, the physical field operating condition information 404, the relocation decision horizon information 405, the relocation activation time information 406, the free-space information 407, and relocation information 408.

[0025] A host 100, a control section 300, and a control terminal 700 are connected in a network 900. For example, a host 100, a control section 300, and a control terminal 700 are connected in a network 900.

[0026] Also, a host 100, a control section 300, and a control terminal 700 are connected in a network 900. For example, a host 100, a control section 300, and a control terminal 700 are connected in a network 900.

[0027] A host 100 explains the read/write processing 310 in the case of performing read/write to the storage subsystem 200, and the operating condition information acquisition processing 311 by drawing 2.

[0028] In the read/write processing 310, from the control section 300 of the storage subsystem 200, a host 100 specifies a logic field and demands a read or a light (step 1000). The control section 300 has received the demand asks for the physical field corresponding to a logic field using the information 400 corresponding to logic/physics, namely, changes the address (logical address) of a logic field into the address (physical address) of a physical field (step 1010). Then, in a read, data are read from the store 500 of this physical address, and a control section 300 transmits it to a host 100, in the case of a light, stores in the store 500 of said physical address the data transmitted by the host 100 (step 1020), and performs the further below-mentioned operating condition information acquisition processing 311. Read/write demand and data transfer are formed through I/O bus 800.

[0029] An example of the information 400 corresponding to logic/physics is shown in drawing 3.

The logical address is the address which shows the logic field which a host 100 uses by the

read/write processing 310. A physical address is the address which shows the field on the storage 500 in which data are actually stored, and consists of a storage number and the address in storage. A physical address is shown in drawing 4. The address in storage is the address which shows the storage region within storage 500.

[0030] Next, in the operating condition information acquisition processing 311, a control section 300 updates the logic field operating condition information 403 about the logic field which became a read/write object in the read/write processing 310, and the physical field operating condition information 404 about the physical field used by the read/write processing 310 (steps 1030 and 1040). The logic field operating condition information 403 and the physical field operating condition information 404 are the information about operating conditions of each time of each logic field and physical field, such as for example, operating frequency, an activity ratio, and an attribute about read/write. The gist of subsequent operations explains the concrete example of the logic field operating condition information 403 and the physical field operating condition information 404.

[0031] Next, drawing 4 explains the relocation decision processing 312 which a control section 300 performs.

[0032] Storage 500 is classified into two or more groups (class 600) as a user or an initial state, and the classification to a class 600 is set as the class configuration information 401.

For example, in the case of 800, the attribute set as a user or initial condition, and the attribute set as the class 600 is the attribute set as the class 600. The attribute set as the class 600 is the attribute set as the class 600. The attribute set as the class 600 is the attribute set as the class 600.

[0033] Next, drawing 5 explains the relocation decision processing 312 which a control section 300 performs. The period from initiation time to termination time turns into a horizon. Period update information is the setups of a next horizon, for example, may have X time amount back etc. every week and every day. A control section 300 chooses the logic field which should perform physical relocation as compared with the permissible operating condition of each class 600 of the class attribute information 402 (step 1110) etc. with reference to the logic field operating condition information 403 on a horizon, and the physical field operating condition information 404 (step 1100) (step 1120).

[0034] Furthermore, with reference to the permissible operating condition and the suitable condition of the class attribute information 402, the priority between classes (step 1130), the control section 300 chooses a class 600 to which the relocation of a logic field (step 1140) chooses a physical field intact as a relocation place. A logic field from the storage 500 belonging to a class 600 further (step 1150), and outputs a selection result to relocation information 408 (step 1160).

[0035] An example of the relocation decision processing 312 is shown in drawing 5. A logic field is a logic field to rearrange, rearranging agency physics fields are the address in storage, and relocation place physical field corresponding to a logic field, and the storage number which shows the place address in storage. As shown in drawing 6, one or more plans of a relocation are performed and it gets. Furthermore, a control section 300 updates the horizon of the relocation decision horizon information 405 to degree batch with reference to the period update information of the relocation decision horizon information 405 (step 1170). In the above-mentioned processing, a control section 300 uses the free-space information 407 for retrieval of the aforementioned intact physical field using the information 404 corresponding to logic/physics.

[0036] An example of the free-space information 407 is shown in drawing 7. A storage number shows each storage 500. The address in storage is the address which shows the field within storage 500. A storage number and the address in equipment show a physical field, and use / intact item shows use / intact distinction of a physical field. A control section 300 usually





absorbable.

[0069] Although a control section 300 totals with reference to the parity group activity ratio of the physical field operating condition information 404 on a horizon, and the disk unit activity ratio of the logic field of the logic field processing condition information 403 and being used for decision in the relocation decision processing 312. For example, instead of using the average of all the values of a horizon, the method of using the value of m high orders in a horizon is also considered, and the approach using the value of the m-th high order is also considered (m is one or more integers). A user can choose and use only the characteristic part of a user operating condition, and can make the relocation decision processing 312 perform by an enabling it to choose these approaches.

[0070] In the above-mentioned relocation decision processing 312, although [a control section 300] the required parity group 501 of relocation of a logic field is detected about all the classes 600 of the disk array system 201, a control section 300 is good [a control section] about the class 600 to which the fixed attribute is set with reference to the class attribute information 404. As an outside of the object of detection before said detection, moreover, a control section 400 is good [a control section] about the object of detection similarly about the parity group 501 by whom the fixed attribute is set. In the above-mentioned relocation decision processing 312, although [a control section 300], the physical field of a relocation place is chosen from the intact physics field of the parity group 501 belonging to a high performance class, you may make it, require a performance ranking step 160, a high-order class 600 as a high performance class further as an outside of an object about the class 600 to which the fixed attribute is set in the relocation decision processing 312. Moreover, about the parity group 501 by whom the fixed attribute is set, it is good also as outside of an object. By treating the class 600 or the parity group 501 by whom the fixed attribute is set up as mentioned above, a user can set up the class 600 or the parity group 501 who wants to produce the effect of physical relocation in the automatic above-mentioned relocation processing, and can be taken as the outside of the object of relocation.

[0071] The gestalt of 'gestalt of the third operation' book operation explains relocation decision within the same class 600. The computing system in the gestalt of this operation is the same as that of the gestalt of the 2nd operation. However, with the gestalt of this operation, two or more parity groups 501 belong to one class 600. If processing with the gestalt of this operation removes the relocation decision processing 312, it is the same as that of the gestalt of the 2nd operation. Moreover, relocation (step 160) of the logic field rearranged also about the relocation class 600. Moreover, relocation (step 160) of the logic field rearranged also about the relocation class 600.

[0072] Drawing 20, the gestalt of this operation is the same as that of the gestalt of the 2nd operation. However, engine performance ranking chooses the physical field of a relocation place from the high-order class 600 with the gestalt of the 2nd operation from the class 600 to which the physical field of a rearranging agency belongs, it chooses from parity groups 501 other than the rearranging agency of the same class 600 with the gestalt of this operation. A control section 300 acquires the intact physics field of parity groups 501 other than the rearranging agency belonging to the same class 600 with reference to the class configuration information 401 and the free-space information 407 (step 1610). A control section 300 calculates the forecast of the parity group activity ratio at the time of considering as a relocation place about each intact physics field (step 1620). The intact physics field it can be predicted that does not exceed the upper limit set as the same class 600 out of an intact physics field when it considers as a relocation place it chooses as a physical field of a relocation place (step 1630), and a selection result is outputted to relocation information 408 like the gestalt of the 2nd operation (step 1640). Processing will be ended if it finishes choosing the physical field of a relocation place about all the logic fields to rearrange (step 1650).

[0073] The above-mentioned processing can distribute the load of a disk unit 502 in the same class 600. Moreover, the processing can distribute the load of a disk unit 502 in the same class 600. The configuration which belongs to one class 600 (single class) altogether, moreover, when it combines with the art explained with the gestalt of the 2nd operation, for example, it sets to selection of the intact physics field of a relocation place, and the case where the intact physics

field for the high-order class 600 where engine performance ranking is more suitable than the class 600 of a rearranging agency is not obtained, and engine performance ranking can apply to processing in the top class 600, the activity ratio upper limit from which the art in the gestalt of the 2nd operation and the art in the gestalt of this operation differ about each class 600 when it combines with the art explained with the gestalt of the 2nd operation — you may use — namely, — therefore, the class attribute information 402 may have two kinds of activity ratio upper limits, or difference about each class 600.

[0075] In the relocation decision processing 312 with the gestalt of the 2nd operation with the gestalt of 'gestalt of the fourth operation' book operation. When the intact physics field of a relocation place is not found from the class 600 of a rearranging agency in the class 600 (high performance class) of a high order [ranking / engine performance] in order to obtain a relocation place, the engine performance ranking performed explains processing of the relocation from the high performance class to the class 600 (low engine performance class) of lower order more.

[0076] The computing system in the gestalt of this operation is the same as that of the gestalt of the 2nd operation. Drawing 21 explains the relocation decision processing 312 in the gestalt of the 2nd operation.

[0077] Drawing 20, the gestalt of this operation is the same as that of the gestalt of the 2nd operation. Drawing 21 explains the relocation decision processing 312 in the gestalt of the 2nd operation. Drawing 22 explains the parity group 501 belonging to a high performance class from the class configuration information 401 (step 1700). Then, a control section 300 acquires a horizon with reference to the same relocation decision horizon information 405, the intact physics field of the parity group 501 belonging to a high performance class, and the intact physics field of a relocation place. The intact physics field of the parity group 501 belonging to a high performance class, and the intact physics field of a relocation place, can be used for high performance class. A control section 300 can prepare intact physics field where a repeat line is sufficient for the above-mentioned processing if needed.

[0078] Although the disk time to the same load may increase about relocation and the disk unit activity ratio after relocation of a logic field may increase since the relocation place of a logic field is made into the parity group 501 of a low engine performance class, the effect of increase can be suppressed to the minimum by making it rearrange from the logic field where a disk activity ratio is small.

[0079] By performing the above-mentioned processing, when the intact physics field of a relocation place is not found in a high performance class in the relocation decision processing 312 with the gestalt of the 2nd operation, relocation of a logic field can be performed from a high performance class to a low engine performance class. The intact physics field of a relocation place can be used for high performance class, and the intact physics field of a relocation place can be used for high performance class. A control section 300 can prepare intact physics field where a repeat line is sufficient for the above-mentioned processing if needed.

[0080] Although the disk time to the same load may increase about relocation and the disk unit activity ratio after relocation of a logic field may increase since the relocation place of a logic field is made into the parity group 501 of a low engine performance class, the effect of increase can be suppressed to the minimum by making it rearrange from the logic field where a disk activity ratio is small.

[0081] With the gestalt of 'gestalt of the fifth operation' book operation, an access classification attribute is prepared in one of the attributes of a class 600, and the relocation decision for carrying out physical relocation of the logic field where a sequential access is notably performed using an access classification attribute, and the logic field where random access is performed notably automatically in other parity groups 501, and separating them is explained.

[0082] The computing system in the gestalt of this operation is shown in drawing 1010. In order to explain with the gestalt of the 2nd operation, with the gestalt of this operation, the following information is shown in drawing 1010. Drawing 1010 shows the information shown in drawing 1000.

[0083] An example of the class attribute information 402 on the gestalt of this operation is

shown in drawing 22. In this example, when access classification is added to the example in the gist of the 2nd operation and the access classification of a class 600 is set up sequentially, for example, it is shown that it is set up that a class 600 is set up sequentially.

[0084] An example of the logic field operating condition information 400 on the gist of the operation is shown in drawing 23. In this example, the rate of a sequential access and the rate of random access are applied to the gist of the 2nd operation.

[0085] Furthermore, in addition to the gist of the 2nd operation, in the gist of this operation, a control section 300 holds the access classification reference-value information 410 and the logic field attribute information 411.

[0086] An example of the access classification reference-value information 410 is shown in drawing 24. A user — or the reference value used for the judgment of the below-mentioned access classification is set to the access classification reference-value information 410 as initial condition. Moreover, an example of the logic field attribute information 411 is shown in drawing 25. An access classification hint is the access classification which can be expected to be carried out by carried out about each logic field, and a user sets it up. About immobilization, it mentions the gist of the operation.

[0087] If processing with the gist of this operation involves the operating condition information acquisition processing 311 and the relocation decision processing 312, it is the same gist of the gist of the second operation.

[0088] Drawing 26 explains the operating condition information acquisition processing 311 in the gist of the operation.

[0089] Like the operating condition information acquisition processing 311 with the gist of the 2nd operation, a control section 300 computes the disk unit activity ratio about a logic field (steps 1800 and 1810), analyzes the contents of an activity ratio in the read/write processing 310, computes the ratio of a sequential access and random access about an activity ratio (step 1820), and records an activity ratio and an access classification ratio on the logic field operating condition information 403 (step 1830). Moreover, a control section 300 performs calculation of a group activity ratio, and record to the physical field operating condition information 404 like the gist of the 2nd operation (steps 1840 and 1850).

[0090] In the relocation decision processing 312 in the gist of this operation, selection of the logic field to rearrange is the same as that of the gist of the 2nd operation (step 1900). Drawing 27 explains selection of the physical field of the relocation place in the relocation processing 312.

[0091] A control section 300 acquires the rate of a sequential access about the logic field to be rearranged, and the rate of a sequential access about the logic field (steps 1903, 1910). And, the reference value set as the access classification reference-value information 410 (step 1920). Then, the rate of a sequential access is larger than a reference value, a control section 300

investigates whether with reference to the class attribute information 402, the class 600 (sequential class) to which access classification is set as it is sequential exists (step 1950). When a sequential class exists, a control section 300 acquires the intact physics field of party groups 501 other than the rearranging agency belonging to the intact class with reference to the class configuration information 401 and the free-space information 407 (step 1960).

Furthermore, a control section 300 calculates the forecast of the party group activity ratio at the time of considering as a relocation place about each intact physics field (step 1970). The intact physics field it can be predicted that does not exceed the upper limit set as the sequential class out of an intact physics field when it considers as a relocation place. It chooses as a physical field of a relocation place (step 1980), and a selection result is outputted to relocation information 408 like the gist of the 2nd operation (step 1990). A control section 300 computes an activity ratio forecast from the same party group information 409 as the gist of the 2nd operation, the logic field operating condition information 404, and the physical field information 405.

[0092] In the aforementioned operation, the access classification reference value is below a reference value, a control section 300 investigates whether with reference to the logic field attribute information 411, it is set up that an access classification hint is sequential about a logic

field (step 1940). When it is set as the access classification hint that it is sequential, a control section 300 investigates whether with reference to the logic field attribute information 411, it is set up that an access classification hint is sequential about a logic field of a relocation place is chosen from a sequential class (steps 1980-1990).

[0093] In the aforementioned comparison, the rate of a sequential access is said below reference value, and when an access classification hint is not still more sequential, or when a sequential class does not exist, a control section 300 chooses the physical field of a relocation place from classes 600 other than a sequential class like the gist of the 2nd operation (step 2000).

[0094] The logic field where a sequential access is notably performed by the above-mentioned processing using the access classification and the activity ratio upper limit which were set as each class 600 as an attribute to mixture of the remarkable sequential access in the same party group 501 and random access, and the logic field where random access is performed notably can be automatically rearranged in a different party group 501, it can separate into operation 502, i.e., a different disk unit, and the response engine performance especially to random access can be improved.

[0095] Moreover, in the above-mentioned processing although [ a control section 300 ] automatic separation by relocation is performed paying attention to a sequential access, it is automatic to perform said separation similarly paying attention to random access.

[0096] Since a control section 300 does not rearrange a logic field when the fixed attribute is specified as the logic field with the above-mentioned logic field information 411, in the logic field to rearrange is chosen in the above-mentioned relocation decision processing 312, when there is a logic field considered that especially a user does not want to rearrange, a logic field can make into the outside of the object of relocation by setting up a fixed attribute. The processing about the above-mentioned fixed attribute is using the logic field attribute information 411, and can be applied also to the gist of the above-mentioned operation.

[Effect of the Invention] The user of a storage subsystem or a customer engineer can do simple the activity for performing arrangement optimization by physical relocation of a storage region.

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## DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

[Brief Description of the Drawings]

- [Drawing 1] It is the block diagram of the computing system in the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 2] It is the flow chart of the read/write processing 310 with the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention, and the operating condition information acquisition processing 311.  
 [Drawing 3] It is drawing showing an example of the information 400 corresponding to logic/physics on the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 4] It is the flow chart of the relocation decision processing 312 with the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 5] It is drawing showing an example of the relocation decision horizon information 405 of the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 6] It is drawing showing an example of the relocation information 408 in the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 7] It is drawing showing an example of the free-space information 407 on the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 8] It is the flow chart of the relocation executive operation 313 in the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 9] It is drawing showing an example of the relocation activation time information 406 in the gestalt of operation of the 1st of this invention.  
 [Drawing 10] It is the block diagram of the computing system of the gestalt of operation of the 2nd of this invention, and the gestalt of the fifth operation.  
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 [Drawing 18] It is drawing showing an example of parity group information 409 in the gestalt of operation of the 2nd of this invention.  
 [Drawing 19] It is the flow chart of the relocation executive operation 313 in the gestalt of operation of the 2nd of this invention.  
 [Drawing 20] It is the flow chart of the relocation decision processing 312 with the gestalt of operation of the 3rd of this invention.

- [Drawing 21] It is the flow chart of the relocation decision processing 312 with the gestalt of operation of the 4th of this invention.  
 [Drawing 22] It is drawing showing an example of the class attribute information 402 on the gestalt of operation of the 5th of this invention.  
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 [Drawing 26] It is the flow chart of the operating condition information acquisition processing 311 with the gestalt of operation of the 5th of this invention.  
 [Drawing 27] It is the flow chart of the relocation decision processing 312 with the gestalt of operation of the 5th of this invention.  
 [Description of Notations]  
 100 Host  
 200 Storage Subsystem  
 201 Disk Array System  
 300 Control System  
 310 Read/write Processing  
 311 Operating Condition Information Acquisition Processing  
 312 Relocation Decision Processing  
 313 Relocation Executive Operation  
 400 Information corresponding to Logic/Physics  
 401 Class Configuration Information  
 402 Class Attribute Information  
 403 Logic Field Operating Condition Information  
 404 Physical Field Operating Condition Information  
 405 Relocation Decision Horizon Information  
 406 Relocation Activation Time Information  
 407 Free-Space Information  
 408 Relocation Information  
 409 Parity Group Information  
 410 Access Classification Reference-Value Information  
 411 Logic Field Attribute Information  
 500 Storage  
 501 Parity Group  
 502 Disk Unit  
 600 Class  
 700 Control Terminal  
 800 I/O Bus  
 900 Network

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